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SUBJ: DRC MEETING SEPTEMBER 30: AGENDA ITEM III FRAME OF REFERENCE

(FOR) FOR NATO FORCE PLANNING DATA BASE (NFPDB)

REF: A. USNATO 5193 DTG 231709Z SEP 75

B. USNATO 5243 DTG 251550Z SEP 75

C. STATE 231293 DTG 291829Z SEP 75

D. DRC/N(75)16

SUMMARY: DUE TO AN ERROR IN THE AGENDA, SEVERAL REPS CAME TO DRC MEETING WITHOUT INSTRUCTIONS ON REVISED FOR FOR THE NFPDB(REF B). US REP (BADER) POINTED OUT AMBIGUITIES IN THE FINAL PARAGRAPH OF REVISED FOR. DRC AGREED THAT ISWOULD ISSUE A CORRIGEDUM TO THE REVISED FOR WITHIN TWO DAYS AND SUBMIT THE REVISED FOR AND CORRIGENDUM TO COUNTRIES FOR APPROVAL BY SILENCE PROCEDURE. END SUMMARY.

1. DISCUSSION OF THE FOR WAS HAMPERED BY AN ERROR IN THE AGENDA WHICH RESULTED IN MOST MEMBERS OF THE DRC, INCLUDING THE CHAIRMAN (HUMPHREYS) COMING PREPARED TO DISCUSS DRC/N(57)16 RATHER THAN THE MORE RECENT VERSION (REF B).

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2. THE TURKISH REP (TIPUR) EXPRESSED DISPLEASURE THAT TURKISH SUGGESTIONS MADE BEFORE THE EARLIER DRAFT (REF D) HAD NOT BEEN FULLY ACCEPTED BUT MADE NO SPECIFIC COMMENTS ON CHANGES DESIRED. HEAD OF SYSTEMS ANALYSIS SECTION (SAS) (PUHL) STATED THAT HE HAD

TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT AS MANY OF THE TURKISH SUGGESTIONS AS POSSIBLE. TURKISH REP REPLIED THAT ANKARA MUST DECIDE WHETHER CHANGES MADE BY PUHL SATISFY TURKEY'S CONCERNS.

3. THE NETHERLANDS REP (CARSTEN) ASKED PUHL TO EXPLAIN WHY US SUGGESTION REGARDING PROCEDURES FOR THE RELEASE OF DATA HAD NOT BEEN ACCEPTED. PUHL GAVE THE SAME REASON REPORTED IN REF A, I.E., IT WOULD CREATE AN UNNECESSARY BURDEN ON THE DRC AND WOULD COMPLICATE RELEASE OF DATA WHILE NOT SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVING THE SAFEGUARDS ON DATA PROVIDED BY COUNTRIES. DRAWING ON REF (C) THE US REP SAID HE COULD AGREE WITH THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF IN PRINCIPLE, BUT ON A PERSONAL BASIS FELT THE FINAL PARAGRAPH NEEDED REWORDING TO ELIMINATE SOME AMBIGUITIES.

4. NETHERLANDS REP ASKED IF NATO WAS BUILDING UP A REQUIREMENT FOR ADDITIONAL COMPUTER CAPABILITY WITH ENSUING INCREASED COSTS. PUHL SAID THAT OF COURSE HE WOULD LIKE A LARGER COMPUTER WITH MORE CAPACITY BUT THAT SAS HAD BEEN ABLE TO OPERATE WITHIN THE CONSTRAINTS IMPOSED BY THE CURRENT CAPABILITY. HE SAID THAT CURRENTLY SAS REQUIREMENTS ACCOUNTED FOR ABOUT 60 PCT. OF COMPUTER CAPACITY. OTHER CUSTOMERS, HOWEVER, ARE GENERATING NEW REQUIREMENTS WHICH COULD REQUIRE INCREASED CAPACITY IN THE FUTURE.

5. SINCE CHAIRMAN AND SOME REPS DID NOT HAVE THE TEXT OF THE REVISED FOR BEFORE THEM, CHAIRMAN FELT IT WOULD NOT BE PROFITABLE TO ATTEMPT TO REDRAFT LAST PARAGRAPH OF REVISED FOR AT DRC MEETING. HE SUGGESTED THAT THE US AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED DELEGATIONS WORK WITH HEAD OF SAS TO PREPARE CORRIGENDUM TO REVISED FOR AND THAT HE SEEK DRC APPROVAL OF REVISED FOR AND CORRIGENDUM UNDER SILENCE PROCEDURE, ALLOWING COUNTRIES THREE WEEKS TO REGISTER ANY OBJECTIONS. DRC AGREED TO CHAIRMAN'S SUGGESTION AND PUHL SAID HE WOULD ISSUE CORRIGENDUM WITHIN TWO DAYS.

6.FOLLOWING DRC MEETING, MISSION OFFICER CONTACTED PUHL AND WORKED OUT A REVISION TO FINAL PARAGRAPH OF FOR (REF B) AS FOLLOWS:
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BEGIN TEXT: ALL REQUESTS FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION HELD IN THE NFPDB WILL, IN THE FIRST INSTANCE, BE SUBMITTED TO HEAD, SAS, WHO WILL EXAMINE THEM FOR TECHNICAL FEASIBILITY AND SUITABILITY AND WILL ADVISE THE REQUESTER OF HIS INTENTIONS. DEPENDING ON THE SENSITIVITY AND MAGNITUDE OF THE INFORMATION REQUESTED, APPROVAL FOR THE RELEASE WILL EITHER BE SOUGHT FROM THE ORIGINATOR(S) OF THE DATA REQUESTED, OR FROM THE DRC. GUIDANCE AND APPROVAL BY THE DRC WILL PARTICULARLY BE REQUIRED IN MATTERS INVOLVING POLICY DECISIONS AND IN CASES WHERE INFORMATION CONCERNING SEVERAL OR ALL DRC MEMBER NATIONS IS SOUGHT FOR RELEASE. IN ALL SUCH REQUESTS, THE USE, TYPE AND LEVEL OF DETAIL, AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE INFORMATION REQUESTED MUST BE STATED CLEARLY. INFORMATION WOULD ONLY BE PROVIDED TO THE EXTENT APPROVED BY THE DRC AND/OR ORIGINATOR(S) OF THE DATA. END TEXT.STREATOR

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